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15 August 1973

NOTE FOR: ODDI

SUBJECT

Agency Assistance to US Federal,

State, and Local Government Components

Reference:

Your request, and draft regulation

(this subject) of 25 July 1973

- Such a Regulation would affect CIA/ DDI/SRS only with respect to two small unclassified projects: (a) participation in the USC/FAR interagency committee on external research, and (b) CETA (Chinese-English Translation Assistance project).
- These items could be covered easily (and perhaps other DDI activities as well) by addition of the following sub-section to the draft's para. 7:

"e. for routine or regular nonsensitive assistance to various USG inter-agency organizations, groups, committees and the like (e.g., CETA, USC/FAR . . .)"

3. If such a sub-paragraph would not suffice, then summary description forms (attached) would have to be appended:

a. One for USC/FAR (previously submitted for a checklist of

b. One for CETA.

Cheers,

Hal Ford

Chief, DD/I Special Research Staff

Attachments: As stated

Input to DCI Check List of Uncoming Events
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Who is I	handling the rec	quest? (Include	office and telephone	extension)
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Annual CIA Report to USC/FAR. CIA is an Observer (not a Member) of this group. This entails preparing an annual report, each May, of those projects which the CIA has contracted out in the behavioral and social sciences. (Hardware, tradecraft, and sensitive contracts are not included.) In practice this is a small chore, involving the reporting of only five contracted items this FY (1-OER; 1-OSR; 1-OSI; 2-ORD). This all goes easily and cooperatively, within both CIA and the inter-agency group. USC/FAR's Chairman, Ray Cline, is making progress in bringing greater order to this long-dismal business; no strain re CIA interests.

Hal Ford also represents CIA in various meetings and activities of this group during the year; eight other CIA officers participate in occasional meetings of the group's subcommittees.

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SUMMARY DESCRIPTION

Directorate : DD/I

Component : Special Research Staff

Project : CETA (Chinese-English Translation

Assistance)

Classification: UNCLASSIFIED

Description :

CIA involvement in CETA began in 1966, when the then DCI Coordinator for China Activities asked the DDI to be the action officer for cooperating with other government agencies (mainly NSA and Air Force) in developing a good Chinese-English Dictionary. In September 1971, with extensive machine assistance, the first edition of a coordinated Chinese-English Dictionary was published. Now CIA is one of 12 USG agencies involved in a joint effort to develop and refine this Dictionary. In addition, some 37 linguists from various academic establishments cooperate in this task. The CETA Group is presently chaired by Mr. John S. Aird, Department of Commerce.

CIA monetary commitment to date has amounted to an initial outlay of ______ in NIPE funds. Subsequent CIA contributions to the CETA Maintenance Fund have amounted to ______ per year for FY's 1973 and 1974. (During FY's 1973 and 1974, _______ has been contributed by other US Government agencies; certain of these agencies have additionally donated various CETA-connected services.)

In terms of personnel, one SRS and one DDO officer represent CIA in the CETA Group, and in coordinating the contributions of various CIA components concerned with CETA: ORD/DDS&T, FBIS lexical-linguistic assistance, OJCS programming and machine assistance, and Printing Services Division. For details contact

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